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24 INTERTRUST TECHNOLOGIES
25 CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation,
26 Plaintiff,

27 v.

28 MICROSOFT CORPORATION, a
29 Washington corporation,
30 Defendant.

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32 Washington corporation,

33 Counterclaimant,

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35 INTERTRUST TECHNOLOGIES
36 CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation,
37 Counter Claim-Defendant.

CASE NO. C01-1640 SBA

MICROSOFT CORPORATION'S
PATENT LOCAL RULE 4-2
DISCLOSURE OF PRELIMINARY
CLAIM CONSTRUCTION AND
EXTRINSIC EVIDENCE (LIMITED
TO "MINI-MARKMAN" CLAIMS)

1 Pursuant to Patent Local Rule 4-2 and this Court's Order, entered November 5, 2002,
2 Defendant Microsoft Corporation ("Microsoft") hereby serves its "Disclosure Of Preliminary
3 Claim Construction And Extrinsic Evidence," limited to the twelve selected "Mini-Markman"
4 patent claims. Microsoft's preliminary claim construction is based upon the proposed terms,
5 phrases and clauses, and claims as a whole, identified by the parties in their submissions in
6 accordance with Patent Local Rule 4-1(a) and conference in accordance with Patent Local Rule 4-
7 1(b).

8 Microsoft provides its preliminary claim construction of each of the 12 "Mini-Markman"
9 claims subject to the limitations and reservations of rights set forth herein. Microsoft does not
10 waive any defenses that the asserted claims fail to satisfy the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 112
11 including, for example, the written description requirement, the definiteness requirement, or any
12 other requirement for patentability. Microsoft does not concede that the asserted claims are
13 supported by Plaintiff's original application or any application from which they purportedly claim
14 priority. Specifically, by offering a construction of a term, Microsoft does not waive any defense
15 that the claim is in fact indefinite and there can be no proper construction.

16 Microsoft provides its preliminary claim construction in the following format. Exhibit A
17 sets forth Microsoft's preliminary construction of (1) the claim term "virtual distribution
18 environment" ("VDE"), (2) the "VDE invention" disclosed in the February, 1995, InterTrust
19 patent application, and (3) certain other claim terms. Exhibit B sets forth Microsoft's preliminary
20 construction of the disputed claims as a whole, and particular claim phrases in dispute, in the
21 order of appearance in a claim. Where an individual claim term (within a phrase) is also in
22 dispute, it will be bold-faced in Exhibits A and B. Exhibit C sets forth Microsoft's preliminary
23 construction of the individual terms in dispute, in alphabetical order.

24 Microsoft reserves the right to modify its preliminary claim constructions in the event that
25 the parties are unable to agree upon a particular claim construction. Furthermore, because
26 InterTrust has not yet fully complied with the disclosure requirements of Patent Local Rules 3-1
27 and 3-2, Microsoft expressly reserves the right to amend its preliminary claim construction if
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1 evidence becomes available through those disclosures (or that should have been provided therein)
2 that would support amended constructions. Microsoft further reserves the right to amend its
3 preliminary claim constructions once it has an opportunity to review InterTrust's preliminary
4 claim constructions and once the parties have further met and conferred as required.

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6 Preliminary Identification of Evidence in Support of Claim Construction

7 Microsoft's preliminary claim construction is supported by the intrinsic record of the
8 seven U.S. patents from which the 12 "Mini-Markman" claims are selected. For the purposes of
9 submission of this preliminary claim construction only, Microsoft treats the "intrinsic" evidence
10 as including: 1) the specifications of each of the seven U.S. patents at issue in the "Mini-
11 Markman" proceeding, including any material purportedly incorporated by reference therein;
12 2) the prosecution history of each of the seven patents at issue, including the applications and
13 prosecution history of the seven patents and any related patent applications, including without
14 limitation, applications purportedly incorporated by reference or to which an application claimed
15 priority; and 3) all references cited in the prosecution of any such applications. In accordance
16 with the local rules, this evidence is not specifically identified, except to the extent that Microsoft
17 asserts particular sections of a patents' specifications provide "structure" for claims properly
18 construed under 35 U.S.C. § 112(6).

19 In certain circumstances, Microsoft's preliminary construction may be supported by
20 extrinsic evidence presently available to Microsoft. Microsoft reserves the right to modify or
21 supplement with evidence that it has not yet been able to fully review, due to InterTrust's
22 production, including without limitation, InterTrust re-production of over 1,000,000 pages on
23 November 4, 2002. Microsoft reserves the right to supplement with additional evidence gathered
24 in the course of the discovery collected between now and the close of "claim construction"
25 discovery or later submitted by InterTrust in full compliance with its disclosure obligations under
26 Patent Local Rules 3-1 and 3-2. Extrinsic evidence is identified or produced in accordance with
27 the local rule and set forth in the following exhibits:

1 Exhibit D: Contains copies of excerpts from dictionaries and other publications. Due to
2 the volume of the appended pages, Exhibit D will be served via Federal Express.

3 Exhibit E: Contains a list of selected production documents, identified by initial bates
4 number.

5 Exhibit F: Contains a list of selected, uncited prior art publications, identified by bates
6 number(s).

7 Exhibit G: Contains a list of selected, uncited prior art patents, identified by bates
8 number(s).

9 In addition to the extrinsic evidence cited in Exhibits D-G, Microsoft incorporates by
10 reference herein and reserves the right to rely upon: 1) all documents identified by InterTrust in
11 response to discovery or pursuant to the Patent Local Rules; 2) all InterTrust patents,
12 publications and other things that are prior art to any Mini-Markman claim; and 3) the testimony
13 of InterTrust and the witnesses identified below.

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15 Preliminary Identification of Witnesses¹

16 **Professor John Mitchell:** Dr. Mitchell will testify of the following matters:

17 1) that certain of the presently disputed terms and phrases used in the twelve claims are
18 amorphous terms lacking a well-defined, precise meaning that can accurately be gleaned from
19 technical or other dictionaries. Rather, these terms are used in the art and/or in the patents in a
20 manner that requires close consideration of the entire patent specification to put them in proper
21 context and determine their precise, correct meaning as used in the patents. These terms include
22 "secure container," "control," "govern," "protect," "protected processing environment," "secure,"
23 "securely," "security," "virtual distribution environment";

24 2) that the concepts stated in the InterTrust patents were known to the art, including the
25 cited prior art, which cited art he will describe;

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27 ¹ In accordance with the local rules, Microsoft identifies witness testimony that it contends will
28 support its construction. It has not identified herein testimony relevant to the "tutorial" to be held
prior to the claim construction hearing.

1 3) the level of skill, background, and understanding (including extent thereof) of the
2 relevant patent application disclosures by a person of skill in the art; and
3 4) the meaning and scope certain disputed claim language, including "secure container,"
4 "control," "govern," "protect," "protected processing environment," "secure," "securely,"
5 "security," and "virtual distribution environment."

6 **Professor David Maier:** Dr. Maier will testify on the following matters:

7 1) what the February 13, 1995, patent application (SN 08/388,107) and the seven
8 InterTrust patents, described as the "invention;" more particularly, what are the required,
9 necessary, non-optional features of the "VDE" "invention" as stated in the patents. This
10 description will include an explanation of the features set forth in Microsoft's "Global
11 Constructions" (Exhibit A).
12 2) what the February 13, 1995, patent application (SN 08/388,107) and the seven
13 InterTrust patents, required as necessary, non-optional building blocks to implement the "VDE"
14 "invention" as stated in the patents.

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I am more than eighteen years old and not a party to this action. My place of employment and business address is 121 S.W. Salmon St., Suite 1600, Portland, OR 97204.

On December 20, 2002, at 3:00 p.m., I served on counsel for InterTrust Technologies Corporation:

**MICROSOFT CORPORATION'S PATENT LOCAL RULE 4-2
DISCLOSURE OF PRELIMINARY CLAIM CONSTRUCTION AND
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Microsoft PLR 4-2, Exhibit A: Mini Markman Preliminary Claim Construction – Global

Below is Microsoft's preliminary construction of the "Virtual Distribution Environment" ("VDE") "invention" of the February 13, 1995, InterTrust application (the "VDE invention") and certain other terms, which constructions are incorporated by reference into Microsoft's preliminary construction of certain other disputed claims, claim terms, and claim phrases.¹

Required Feature	Construction
Security and Commerce World	InterTrust's February 13, 1995, patent application described as its "invention" a Virtual Distribution Environment ("VDE invention") for securing, administering, and auditing all security and commerce digital information within its multi-node world (community). VDE guarantees to all VDE "participants" identified in the patent application that it will maintain the availability, secrecy, integrity and authenticity of all such information present at any appliance (node) within the VDE world (including protected content (including currency, credit, payments, etc.), information about content usage, content-control information, controls, load modules, etc.). VDE is secure against at least the threats identified in the patent application to this availability (no user may delete the information without authorization), secrecy (neither available nor disclosed to unauthorized persons or processes), integrity (neither intentional nor accidental alteration), and authenticity (asserted characteristics are genuine). VDE further provides and requires the components and capabilities described below. Anything less than or different than this is not VDE or the described "invention."
VDE Secure Processing Environment	At each node where VDE-protected information is accessed, used, or assigned control information, VDE requires a Secure Processing Environment. A Secure Processing Environment is uniquely identifiable, self-contained, non-circumventable, and trusted by all other VDE nodes to protect the availability, secrecy, integrity and authenticity of all information identified in the patent application as being protected, and to guarantee that such information will be accessed and used only as expressly authorized by the associated VDE controls. A Secure Processing Environment is formed by, and requires, a special-purpose Secure Processing Unit having a hardware tamper-resistant barrier encapsulating a processor and internal secure memory. The barrier prevents all unauthorized interference, removal, observation, and use of the information and processes within it. A Secure Processing Environment is under control of controls and control information provided by one or more parties, rather than being under control of the appliance's users or programs.
VDE Controls	VDE allows access to or use of protected information and processes only through execution of (and satisfaction of the requirements imposed by) independent,

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Required Feature	Construction
	<p>special-purpose, executable VDE control(s). A VDE control can execute only within a Secure Processing Environment. Each VDE control is a component assembly dedicated to a particular activity (e.g., editing, modifying another control, a user-defined action, etc.), particular user(s), and particular protected information. Each separate information access or use is independently controlled by independent VDE control(s). Each VDE control is assembled, within a Secure Processing Environment, from independently deliverable modular components (e.g., load modules or other controls), dynamically in response to an information access or use request. The dynamic assembly of a control is directed by a "blueprint" record (put in place by one or more VDE users) containing control information identifying the exact modular code components to be assembled and executed to govern this particular activity on this particular information by this particular user(s). Each control is independently assembled, loaded and delivered vis-à-vis other controls. Control information and controls are extensible and can be configured and modified by all users, and combined with any other VDE control information or controls (including that provided by other users), subject only to "senior" user controls. Users can assign control information and controls to an arbitrarily fine, user-defined portion of the protected information, such as a single paragraph of a document, as opposed to being limited to file-based controls. VDE controls reliably limit use of the protected information to authorized activities and amounts.</p>
VDE Secure Containers	<p>A VDE secure container is a self-contained, self-protecting data structure which (a) encapsulates information of arbitrary size, type, format, and organization, including other, nested, containers, (b) cryptographically protects that information from all unauthorized access and use, (c) provides encrypted storage management functions for that information, such as hiding the physical storage location(s) of its protected contents, (d) permits the association of itself or its contents with controls and control information governing access to and use thereof, and (e) prevents such use or access (as opposed to merely preventing decryption) until it is opened. A secure container can be opened only as expressly allowed by the associated VDE control(s), only within a Secure Processing Environment, and only through decryption of its encrypted header. A secure container is not directly accessible to any non-VDE calling process. All such calls are intercepted by VDE. The creator of a secure container can assign (or allow others to assign) control information to any arbitrary portion of a secure container's contents, or to an empty secure container (to govern the addition of contents to the secure container, and access to or use of those contents). A container is not a secure container merely because its contents are encrypted and signed. A secure container is itself secure. All VDE-protected information (including protected content, information about content usage, content-control information, controls, and load modules) is encapsulated within a secure container whenever stored outside a Secure Processing Environment or secure database.</p>
Non-Circumventable	<p>VDE is non-circumventable (sequestered). It intercepts all attempts by any and all users, processes, and devices, to access or use (e.g., observe, interfere with, or remove) protected information, and prevents all such attempts other than as allowed by execution of (and satisfaction of all requirements imposed by) associated VDE controls within Secure Processing Environment(s).</p>
Peer to Peer	<p>VDE is peer-to-peer. Each VDE node has the innate ability to perform any role identified in the patent application (e.g., end user, content packager, distributor, clearinghouse, etc.), and can protect information flowing in any direction between any nodes. VDE is not client-server. It does not pre-designate and restrict one or more nodes to act solely as a "server" (a provider of information (e.g., authored content, control information, etc.) to other nodes) or "client" (a requestor of such information). All types of protected-content transactions can proceed without requiring interaction with any server.</p>
Comprehensive Range of	<p>VDE comprehensively governs all security and commerce activities identified in the patent application, including (a) metering, budgeting, monitoring, reporting, and auditing information usage, (b) billing and paying for information usage, and (c) negotiating, signing and enforcing contracts that establish users' rights to</p>

Required Feature	Construction
Functions	access or use information.
User-Configurable	The specific protections governing specific VDE-protected information are specified, modified, and negotiated by VDE's users. For example, VDE enables a consumer to place limits on the nature of content that may be accessed at her node (e.g., no R-rated material) or the amount of money she can spend on viewing certain content, both subject only to other users' senior controls.
General Purpose; Universal	VDE is universal as opposed to being limited to or requiring any particular type of appliance, information, or commerce model. It is a single, unified standard and environment within which an unlimited range of electronic rights protection, data security, electronic currency, and banking applications can run.
Flexible	VDE is more flexible than traditional information security and commerce systems. For example, VDE allows consumers to pay for only the user-defined portion of information that the user actually uses, and to pay only in proportion to any quantifiable VDE event (e.g., for only the number of paragraphs displayed from a book).

Microsoft PLR 4-2, Exhibit B: Mini Markman Preliminary Claim Construction – Claim Terms¹

Claim Term	Preliminary Construction
access, accessed, access to, accessing	Establishing the connections, routings, and security requisites needed to physically obtain something. Access to protected information is required, but insufficient, for use of that information. In VDE, access to protected information is achieved only through execution (within a Secure Processing Environment) of the VDE control(s) assigned to the particular “access” request, satisfaction of all requirements imposed by such execution, and the controlled opening of the secure container containing the information.
addressing	Referring by specific location or individual name to something without physically storing it.
allowing, allows	Actively permitting an action that otherwise cannot be taken (i.e., is absolutely prohibited) by any user, process, or device. In VDE, an action is allowed only through execution (within a Secure Processing Environment) of the VDE control(s) assigned to the particular action request, and satisfaction of all requirements imposed by such execution.
applying . . . in combination	[This shall be construed in connection with a disputed claim phrase.]
arrangement	[This shall be construed in connection with a disputed claim phrase.]
aspect	[This shall be construed in connection with a disputed claim phrase.]
associated with	1. A specific, direct, persistent, and binding relationship with one or more discrete items. Code that processes information but is merely a general-purpose component of an installation is not “associated with” that information. In VDE, an association between a unit of executable code and particular information, or between particular control information and a secure container, cannot be broken except as allowed by execution (within a Secure Processing Environment) of assigned VDE control(s) and satisfaction of all requirements imposed by such execution. 2. Associations in VDE are created with a component assembly, a secure container, a Secure Processing Environment, “object registration,” and other mechanisms of VDE for (allegedly) individually ensuring the “access control” “handcuffs” between specific controls, specific objects (and their content at an arbitrary granular level), and specific users.

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Claim Term	Preliminary Construction
authentication	The act of verifying credentials designed to vouch for the authenticity of the identity, data integrity, and origin integrity of a person, device, program, information, or process.
authorization information, not authorized, not authorized	<p>authorized: An action is permitted that otherwise cannot be taken (i.e., is absolutely prohibited) by any user, process, or device. In VDE, an action is authorized only through execution of the applicable VDE control(s) within a VDE Secure Processing Environment and satisfaction of all requirements imposed by such execution.</p> <p>authorization information: "Control information" identifying the exact modular code components to be assembled into a VDE control and executed within a Secure Processing Environment to permit a particular activity that otherwise cannot be taken (i.e., is absolutely prohibited). ("Control information" is information which identifies the exact modular code components and data which must be assembled and executed to control a particular activity on particular information, of arbitrary, user-defined granularity, by particular user(s)).</p> <p>"not authorized": The action is prohibited and cannot be taken by any user, process, or device.</p>
budget control; budget	<p>budget: A unique type of "method" that specifies limitations on future usage (e.g., copying) of digital information and how such usage will be paid for, if at all. (A "method" is a collection of basic instructions, and information related to basic instructions, that provides context, data, requirements, and/or relationships for use in performing, and/or preparing to perform, basic instructions in relation to the operation of one or more electronic appliances.)</p> <p>budget control: A VDE control assembled using a budget, and enforcing that budget. No process, user, or device is able to make the use identified by the budget once the budget's specified limitation on that use has been met.</p>
can be	Something is permitted that otherwise cannot happen (i.e., is absolutely prohibited).
capacity	Available storage space that is still capable of allocation. For example, a 650 MB blank CD, after sealing, has zero capacity because no new material may be stored within it.
clearinghouse	A computer system that provides intermediate storing and forwarding services for both content and audit information, and which two or more parties trust to provide its services independently because it is operated under constraint of VDE security. "Audit information" means all information created, stored, or reported in connection with an "auditing" process. "Auditing" means tracking, metering and reporting the usage of particular information or a particular appliance.
compares, comparison	A processor operation that evaluates two quantities and sets one of three flag conditions as a result of the comparison – greater than, less than, equal to.
component assembly (2)	A cohesive executable component created by a channel which binds or links together two or more independently deliverable load modules, and associated data. A component assembly is assembled, and executes only within a VDE Secure Processing Environment. A component assembly is assembled dynamically in response to, and to service, a particular content-related activity (e.g., use request). Each VDE component assembly is assigned and dedicated to a particular activity, particular user(s), and particular protected information. Each component assembly is independently

Claim Term	Preliminary Construction
	assembled, loadable and deliverable vis-à-vis other component assemblies. The dynamic assembly of a component assembly is directed by a "blueprint" record containing control information for this particular activity on this particular information by this particular user(s). Component assemblies are extensible and can be configured and reconfigured (modified) by all users, and combined by all users with other component assemblies, subject only to other users' "senior" controls.
contain, contained, containing	Physically storing within, as opposed to addressing.
control (n.), controls (n.) (2 - 193:1,11,15,19, 891:1)	VDE allows access to or use of protected information only through execution of (and satisfaction of the requirements imposed by) independent, special-purpose, executable VDE control(s). A VDE control can execute only within a Secure Processing Environment. Each VDE control is a component assembly dedicated to a particular activity (e.g., editing, modifying another control, a user-defined action, etc.), particular user(s), and particular protected information. Each separate information access or use is independently controlled by independent VDE control(s). Each VDE control is assembled within a Secure Processing Environment from independently deliverable modular components (e.g., load modules or other controls), dynamically in response to an information access or use request. The dynamic assembly of a control is directed by a "blueprint" record (put in place by one or more VDE users) containing control information identifying the exact modular code components to be assembled and executed to govern this particular activity on this particular information by this particular user(s). Each control is independently assembled, loaded and delivered vis-à-vis other controls. Control information and controls are extensible and can be configured and modified by all users, and combined by all users with any other VDE control information or controls (including that provided by other users), subject only to "senior" user controls. Users can assign control information (including alternative control information) and controls to an arbitrarily fine, user-defined portion of the protected information, such as a single paragraph of a document, as opposed to being limited to file-based controls. VDE controls reliably limit use of the protected information to authorized activities and amounts.
controlling, control (v.)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reliably defining and enforcing the conditions and requirements under which an action that otherwise absolutely cannot be taken, will be allowed, and the manner in which it may occur. Absent verified satisfaction of those conditions and requirements, the action cannot be taken by any user, process or device. In VDE, an action is controlled through execution of the applicable VDE control(s) within a VDE Secure Processing Environment. 2. More specifically, in VDE, controlling is effected by use of VDE controls, VDE secure containers, and VDE foundation (including VDE Secure Processing Environment, "object registration," and other mechanisms for allegedly individually ensuring that specific controls are enforced vis-à-vis specific objects (and their content at an arbitrary granular level) and specific "users.")
copied file	A digital file which has been copied at least once, not the copy itself. A "copy" is what is formed by a copying operation, and it may or may not be encrypted, ephemeral, usable, or accessible.
copy, copied, copying (v.)	To duplicate a digital file or other complete physical block of data from one location on a storage medium to another location on the same or different storage medium, leaving the original block of data unchanged, such that two distinct and independent objects exist. Although the layout of the data values in physical storage may differ from the original, the resulting "copy" is logically indistinguishable from the original. The resulting "copy" may or

Claim Term	Preliminary Construction
	may not be encrypted, ephemeral, usable, or accessible.
copy control	A VDE control which controls some access to or use of a copy.
creating, creation	[This shall be construed in connection with a disputed claim phrase.]
data item	An individual unit of information representing a single value, such as that stored in a field of a larger record in a database. It is the smallest useful unit of named information in the system.
derive, derives	To retrieve from a specified source.
descriptive data structure	A machine-readable data structure (e.g., text file, template, secure container, etc.) containing or addressing descriptive information (e.g., metadata, shorthand abstract representation, integrity constraints, rules, instructions, etc.) about (1) the layout, generic format (e.g., location of a particular type of information), attributes, or hierarchical structure (e.g., file hierarchy) of the contents section of one or a family of other data structure(s) (e.g., secure container, other rights management related structure, etc.), (2) the operations or processes used to create or use such other data structure(s) (e.g., rules for handling the data structure), and/or (3) the consequences of such operations (e.g., billing the user a certain fee for printing). The descriptive data structure is capable of being used to create or handle (e.g., read, locate information within, request information from, and/or manipulate) the other data structure(s). The descriptive data structure is not associated with the other data structure(s) and does not contain or specify its particular contents (e.g., "Yankees Win the Pennant!").
designating	[This shall be construed in connection with a disputed claim phrase.]
device class	The generic name for a group of device types. For example, all display stations belong to the same device class. A device class is different from a device type. A device type is composed of all devices that share a common model number or family (e.g. IBM 4331 printers).
digital file	A static unit of storage allocated by a "file system" and containing digital information. A digital file enables any application using the "file system" to randomly access its contents and to distinguish it by name from every other such unit. A copy of a digital file is a separate digital file. (A "file system" is the portion of the operating system that translates requests made by application programs for operations on "files" into low-level tasks that can control storage devices such as disk drives.)
digital signature, digitally signing	Digital signature: An unforgeable string of characters (e.g., bits) generated by a cryptographic transformation to a block of data using some secret, which string can be generated only by an agent that knows the secret, and hence provides evidence that the agent must have generated it. digitally signing: Creating a digital signature using a secret key. (In symmetric key cryptography, a "secret key" is a key that is known only to the sender and recipient. In asymmetric key cryptography, a "secret key" is the private key of a public/private key pair, in which the two keys are related uniquely by a predetermined mathematical relationship such that it is computationally infeasible to determine one from the other.)
entity, entity's control	entity: Any person or organization.

Claim Term	Preliminary Construction
environment	entity's control: Control created, modified, or selected by any person or organization to control a particular use of or access to particular protected information by a particular user(s).
executable programming, executable (2)	[This will be construed in connection with other disputed claim terms.] executable: A cohesive series of machine code instructions in a format that can be loaded into memory and run (executed) by a connected processor. executable programming: A cohesive series of machine code instructions, comprising a computer program, in a format that can be loaded into memory and run (executed) by a connected processor. (A "computer program" is a complete series of definitions and instructions that when executed on a computer will perform a required or requested task.)
execution space, execution space identifier	execution space: A processor-addressable physical memory into which data and executable code can be loaded, which is assigned to a single executing process while that process is actively executing. Memory holding "swapped out" processes or executables is not part of an "execution space." execution space identifier: A value that uniquely identifies a particular execution space.
generating	[This shall be construed in connection with a disputed claim phrase.]
govern, governed, governed item, governing	govern, governing, governed: See control (v.) governed item: Information, of arbitrarily fine granularity, whose access and use by any user, process, or device which is controlled.
halting	Stopping execution of a running (executing) process unconditionally (i.e., without providing any specific condition for resumption). For example, executing an instruction known as a "breakpoint halt instruction."
host processing environment	A processing environment within a VDE node which is not a Secure Processing Environment. A "host processing environment" may either be "secure" or "not secure." A "secure" host processing environment is a self-contained protected processing environment, formed by loaded, executable programming executing on a general purpose CPU (not a Secure Processing Unit) running in protected (privileged) mode. A "non-secure" host processing environment is formed by loaded, executable programming executing on a general purpose CPU (not a Secure Processing Unit) running in user mode.
identifier, identify, identifying	identifier: Any text string used as a label naming an individual instance of what it identifies. identify: To establish as being a particular instance of a person or thing.
including	(With respect to a digital file, control, authorization information, Secure Processing Environment, descriptive data structure, element, load module, header, or secure container): Physically storing within, as opposed to addressing.
information previously stored	Information that once was stored but is no longer stored.

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integrity programming	Executable programming that when executed checks and reports on the integrity of a device or process. "Integrity" means the property that information has not been altered either intentionally or accidentally.
key	A bit sequence used and needed by a cryptographic algorithm to encrypt a block of plain text or to decrypt a block of cipher text. A key is different from a key seed or other information from which the actual encryption and/or decryption key is constructed, derived, or otherwise identified. In symmetric key cryptography, the same key is used for both encryption and decryption. In asymmetric or "public key" cryptography, two related keys are used; a block of text encrypted by one of the two keys (e.g., the "public key") can be decrypted only by the corresponding key (e.g., the "private key").
load module (2)	An executable, modular unit of machine code suitable for loading into memory for execution by a processor. A load module is encrypted (when not within a Secure Processing Unit) and has an identifier that a calling process must provide to be able to use the load module. A load module is combinable with other load modules, and associated data, to form executable component assemblies. A load module can execute only in a VDE protected processing environment.
machine check programming	Executable programming that when executed generates a unique "machine signature" which distinguishes the physical machine from all other machines. This machine check programming code sometimes is invoked by integrity programming.
metadata information (2 (metadata))	Data that describes other data managed within an application or environment, such as its meaning, representation in storage, what it is used for and by whom, context, quality and condition, or other characteristics. Metadata may describe data elements or attributes (name, size, data type, etc) and data about records or data structures (length, fields, columns, etc) and data about data (where it is located, how it is associated, ownership, etc.).
opening secure containers	Establishing the requisites needed to attempt to access the contents of a secure container. Opening is a necessary but insufficient step before the contents of a secure container may be copied, decrypted, read, manipulated, or otherwise used, or accessed. No process, user, or device may access or use the contents of a secure container without first opening that secure container. A secure container may be opened only through execution of the assigned VDE control(s) within a VDE Secure Processing Environment and satisfaction of all requirements imposed by such execution.
operating environment	See processing environment.
organization, organization information, organize	organization, organization information: The manner in which data is represented and laid out in physical storage. For example, for data organized as records: the field hierarchy, order, type and size. organize: Representing and laying out data in a particular manner in physical storage.
portion	[This shall be construed in connection with a disputed claim phrase.]
prevents	Imposes an active restraint on an action such that it absolutely cannot occur by any means or under any circumstances.
processing environment (2 - 912:35, 900:155, 721:34)	A standardized, well-defined, self-contained, computing base, formed by hardware and executing code, that provides an "interface" and set of resources which can support different applications, on different types of hardware platforms. In the context of claim 35 of the '912 patent: a Secure Processing

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protected processing environment (2 - 721:34)	Environment <p>1. A uniquely identifiable, self-contained computing base trusted by all VDE nodes to protect the availability, secrecy, integrity and authenticity of all information identified in the patent application as being protected, and to guarantee that such information will be accessed and used only as expressly authorized by VDE controls. At most VDE nodes, the protected processing environment is a Secure Processing Environment which is formed by, and requires, a hardware tamper-resistant barrier encapsulating a special-purpose Secure Processing Unit having a processor and internal secure memory. ("Encapsulated" means hidden within an object so that it is not directly accessible but rather is accessible only through the object's restrictive interface.) The barrier prevents all unauthorized (intentional or accidental) interference, removal, observation, and use of the information and processes within it, by all parties (including all users of the device in which the Protected Processing Environment resides), except as expressly authorized by VDE controls. A Protected Processing Environment is under control of controls and control information provided by one or more parties, rather than being under control of the appliance's users or programs. Where a VDE node is an established financial clearinghouse, or other such facility employing physical facility and user-identity authentication security procedures trusted by all VDE nodes, and the VDE node does not access or use VDE-protected information, or assign VDE control information, then the Protected Processing Environment at that VDE node may instead be formed by a general-purpose CPU that executes all VDE "security" processes in protected (privileged) mode.</p> <p>2. A Protected Processing Environment requires more than just verifying the integrity of digitally signed executable programming prior to execution of the programming; or concealment of the program, associated data, and execution of the program code; or use of a password as its protection mechanism.</p>
protecting	Maintaining the security of.
record (n.) (2)	A data structure that is a collection of fields (elements), each with its own name and type. Unlike an array, whose elements are accessed using an index, the elements of a record are accessed by name. A record can be accessed as a collective unit of elements, or the elements can be accessed individually.
required	A condition without which an action cannot occur. A required condition acts prospectively - it does not apply to a description created at or after the creation of the object to which it applies.
resource processed	A record containing control information, which record is stored and acted upon within a processing environment.
rule (2)	A lexical statement that states a condition under which access to or use of VDE-protected data will be allowed by a VDE control. A rule may specify how, when, where, and by whom a particular activity on particular information is to be allowed.
secure (2)	A state in which all users of a system are guaranteed that all information, processes, and devices within the system, shall have their availability, secrecy, integrity and authenticity maintained against all of the identified threats thereto. "Availability" means the property that information is accessible and usable upon demand by authorized persons, at least to the extent that no user may delete the information without authorization. "Secrecy" also referred to as confidentiality, means the property that information (including computer processes) is not made available or disclosed to unauthorized persons or processes. "Integrity" means the property that information has not been altered either intentionally or accidentally. "Authenticity" means the

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	property that the characteristics asserted about a person, device, program, information, or process are genuine and timely, particularly as to identity, data integrity, and origin integrity.
secure container	A VDE secure container is a self-contained, self-protecting data structure which (a) encapsulates information of arbitrary size, type, format, and organization, including other, nested, containers, (b) cryptographically protects that information from all unauthorized access and use, (c) provides encrypted storage management functions for that information, such as hiding the physical storage location(s) of its protected contents, (d) permits the association of itself or its contents with controls and control information governing access to and use thereof, and (e) prevents such use or access (as opposed to merely preventing decryption) until it is "opened." A secure container can be opened only as expressly allowed by the associated VDE control(s), only within a Secure Processing Environment, and only through decryption of its encrypted header. A secure container is not directly accessible to any non-VDE or user calling process. All such calls are intercepted by VDE. The creator of a secure container can assign (or allow others to assign) control information to any arbitrary portion of a secure container's contents, or to an empty secure container (to govern the later addition of contents to the container, and access to or use of those contents). A container is not a secure container merely because its contents are encrypted and signed. A secure container is itself secure. All VDE-protected information (including protected content, information about content usage, and content-control information, controls, and load module) is encapsulated within a secure container whenever stored outside a Secure Processing Environment or secure database.
secure container governed item	A governed item protected by a secure container. A secure container governed item may not be accessed or used in any way, by any user, process, or device, except as allowed by its associated VDE control(s) executing in a VDE Secure Processing Environment and satisfaction of all requirements imposed by such execution.
secure container rule	A rule protected by a secure container. A secure container rule may not be accessed or used in any way, by any user, process, or device, except as allowed by its associated VDE control(s) executing in a VDE Secure Processing Environment and satisfaction of all requirements imposed by such execution.
secure database	A data store isolated from all users such that it is protected from external observation; and accidental or intentional alteration or destruction. In VDE, a secure database stores tracking, billing, payment, and auditing data until the data is delivered securely to an authorized clearinghouse.
secure execution space	An allocated portion of the secure memory within a special-purpose Secure Processing Unit which is isolated from the rest of the world, and protected from observation by (and encapsulated within) a tamper resistant barrier and protected from alteration by the processor. The processor cryptographically verifies the integrity of all code loaded from secure memory prior to execution, executes only the code that the processor has authenticated for its use, and is otherwise secure.
secure memory, memory	memory: A medium in which data (including executable instructions) may be stored and from which it may be retrieved. "Memory" does not include a "virtual memory." secure memory: A processor-addressable memory within a special-purpose Secure Processing Unit which is isolated from the rest of the world by (and encapsulated within) a tamper resistant barrier. "Processor-addressable" means that a connected processor can use the secure memory's

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	physical addresses as the operand in a processor instruction such as LOAD or STORE or equivalent instruction. A "memory" is not a "secure memory" merely because it stores encrypted, signed, and/or sealed data; is accessible from a Protected Processing Environment; or is within an appliance that is located at a trusted facility with non-VDE physical security and user-identity authentication procedures.
secure operating environment, said operating environment	Same as Secure Processing Environment.
securely applying (2 - securely)	securely: Performed in a Secure Processing Environment in a manner that guarantees that each affected information or process remains secure. securely applying: securely (1) executing the applied executables (e.g., controls) within a VDE secure execution space, (2) validating and verifying the authenticity and integrity of each executable, and (3) ensuring that the executables are applied only in ways that are intended by the VDE participants who created the executables.
securely assembling	securely (1) linking or binding plural distinct elements together in a particular manner (specified by authenticated assembly instructions) into a single cohesive executable unit so the elements can directly reference each other element within the resulting assembly, within a VDE Secure Processing Environment, (2) validating and verifying the authenticity and integrity of each element (e.g., that it has not been modified from or substituted for the correct element) immediately prior to binding it into the assembly, and (3) ensuring that the elements are linked together only in ways that are intended by the VDE participants who created the elements and/or specified the assembly thereof.
securely processing	Executing code in a secure execution space to act upon some information, in a manner that ensures that the information and the processing remain secure.
securely receiving	Receiving digital information in a secure container, as part of a communication encrypted on the communications level, at a Secure Processing Environment authenticated in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container.
security (2)	See secure.
security level, level of security	An ordered measure of the degree of security. The "security level" is persistent unless expressly noted to exist only some of the time. Also, the combination of a hierarchical classification and a set of nonhierarchical categories that represents the sensitivity of an object or the clearance of a subject. For example, Unclassified, Confidential, Secret, and Top Secret are hierarchical classifications, whereas NATO and NOFORN are non-hierarchical categories defined by the DoD Trusted Computing guidelines.
specific information, specified information	[This will be construed in connection with disputed claim phrases]
tamper resistance (2 - tamper)	tamper resistance: The ability of a tamper resistant barrier to prevent access, observation, and interference with information or processing encapsulated by the barrier.

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	tamper: See tampering .
tamper resistant barrier	An active device that encapsulates and separates a Protected Processing Environment from the rest of the world. It prevents information and processes within the Protected Processing Environment from being observed, interfered with, and leaving except under appropriate conditions ensuring security. It also controls external access to the encapsulated secure resources, processes and information. A tamper resistant barrier is capable of destroying protected information in response to tampering attempts.
tamper resistant software	Software that is encapsulated and executed wholly within a tamper resistant barrier .
tampering (2)	Attempting to circumvent a tamper resistant barrier or other mechanism designed to protect against the observation, access, or alteration of data, code, or process execution, or making any unauthorized access, observation, or interference.
use (n.)	Any action with respect to information (e.g., copying, printing, decrypting, executing) other than access. In VDE, information use is allowed only through execution of the applicable VDE control(s) and satisfaction of all requirements imposed by such execution.
user controls (1)	Controls created, modified, or selected by a user to control a particular use or access by the user to particular protected information.
validity	The state in which authenticated data conforms to predetermined completeness and consistency parameters.
virtual distribution environment	See Global Construction of VDE.

Microsoft PLR 4-2, Exhibit C: Mini Markman Preliminary Claim Construction – Claim Phrases¹

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<p>'193:1</p> <p><u>receiving a digital file including music</u></p>	<p>Claim as a Whole: The recited method is performed within a VDE.</p> <p>1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites a step or result ("receiving") without reciting an action that achieves that result. The specification does not clearly link any particular action to this recited step. Part of the recited function is performed by Communications Controller 666, I/O Controller 600, SPE 503/SPE 500 (particularly "SPU Encryption/Decryption Engine 522" and NVRAM 534b).</p> <p>2. The qualifier "including music" recites a non-functional descriptive material and is not a patentable limitation.</p> <p>3. The recited function requires: obtaining a VDE secure container encapsulating a digital file, authenticating the intended recipient in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container, and accepting the secure container.</p>
<p>a budget specifying the number of copies which can be made of said digital file</p>	<p>1. A budget identifying the total number of copies (whether or not decrypted, long-lived, or accessible) that (since creation of the budget) can be made of the digital file by any and all users, devices, and processes. No process, user, or device is able to make another copy of the digital file once this number of copies has been made.</p>
<p>controlling the copies made of said digital file</p>	<p>1. Controlling uses of and accesses to all copies of the digital file, by all users, processes, and devices, by executing each of the recited "at least one" copy control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). Each control governs (controls) only one action, which action may or may not differ among the different "at least one" controls. All uses and accesses are prohibited and incapable of occurring except to the extent allowed by the "at least one" copy control(s).</p>
<p>determining whether said digital file may be copied and stored on a second device based on at least said copy control</p>	<p>1. Determining whether this particular first device is allowed to perform both of the following actions on this particular digital file: (1) copy it and (2) store it (as opposed to a copy of it) on a second device, by executing one or more VDE control(s) (including "said" copy control associated with this digital file) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). To the extent that either of these two actions is not determined by this step to be permissible, that action is absolutely prohibited and incapable of occurring, and no user, process or device can perform it on this digital file.</p>

¹ The word "invention" is used not to suggest that anything described in InterTrust's patents in fact was novel or non-obvious or inventive, but rather to identify what was described as the alleged invention. Also, features and capabilities are described as they are described in the InterTrust patent application, even though the patent application did not describe an actual working system having any of these capabilities. Also, Microsoft's proposed constructions use many terms from the InterTrust patents that are used inconsistently or otherwise indefinitely in the patents. Those terms are used by Microsoft in their narrowest applicable sense, and without waiving the right to assert the indefiniteness of this claim language. Also, the preliminary constructions assume (without conceding) that the February, 1995, InterTrust patent application was incorporated by reference into the '721, '861, and '683 patents, effectively for claim construction purposes. If the Court concludes otherwise, then the proper constructions will be different in some cases. Bolded terms are preliminarily defined in Exhibits A-C of Microsoft's PLR 4-2 papers.

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if said copy control allows at least a portion of said digital file to be copied and stored on a second device	<p>2. This claim limitation's recitation of "said" copy control is inconsistent with the claim limitation "at least one" copy control.</p> <p>1. This "if" condition creates two branches for the recited process, each of which must be performed. Each time the "if" condition is met, all four of the later-recited actions (copying, transferring, storing, playing) must occur. Each time it is not met, each of these four actions must be prohibited and incapable of occurring.</p> <p>2. This "if" condition is met if and only if "said" copy control allows any portion of the digital file to be copied and also allows that same portion of the file (as opposed to the copy) to be stored on any second device. This "if" condition is based entirely on "said copy control" and thus is met, as above, even if other VDE control(s) prohibit those actions.</p> <p>3. This claim limitation's recitation of "copy control allows at least a portion" is inconsistent with the claim limitation "whether said digital file may be copied ... based on at least said copy control."</p>
copying at least a portion of said digital file	<p>1. Copying at least some portion of the digital file (as opposed to a copy thereof), by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). This copied "portion" may or may not be (or even include) the portion referred to in the claim limitation "if said copy control allows at least a portion."</p>
transferring at least a portion of said digital file to a second device	<p>1. Transferring to some second device (which may or may not be the "second device" referred to in the claim limitation "if said copy control allows at least a portion of said digital file to be copied and stored on a second device") at least some portion of the digital file (as opposed to a copy thereof), by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). This transferred portion may or may not be (or even include) the portion referred to in the claim limitation "if said copy control allows at least a portion," or the portion referred to in the claim limitation "copying at least a portion."</p>
storing said digital file	<p>1. Storing the entire digital file received in the "receiving" step (as opposed to a copy of the file or an incomplete portion of the file).</p> <p>2. This claim limitation's recitation of "storing said digital file" is inconsistent with the claim limitation "transferring at least a portion of said digital file."</p>
<p>193:11</p> <p>receiving a digital file</p>	<p>Claim as a Whole: The recited method is performed within a VDE.</p> <p>1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites a step or result ("receiving") without reciting an action that achieves that result. The specification does not clearly link any particular action to this recited step. Part of the recited function is performed by Communications Controller 666, I/O Controller 600, SPE 303/SPU 500 (particularly "SPU Encryption/Decryption Engine 522" and NVRAM 534b).</p> <p>2. The recited function requires: obtaining a VDE secure container encapsulating a digital file, authenticating the intended recipient in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container, and accepting the secure container.</p>
determining whether said digital file may be copied	<p>1. Determining whether said first control, by itself, allows this particular first device to perform both of the following actions on this particular digital file: (1) copy it and (2) store it (as opposed to a copy of it) on a second device, by executing the first VDE control within VDE Secure Processing</p>

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and stored on a second device based on said first control	1. Identifying a second device sufficiently to distinguish it from all other devices, by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s).
identifying said second device	1. Whether the first control, by itself, allows the entire digital file (which has been copied at least once) (as opposed to the copy) to be moved to the identified second device. If not, that transfer is absolutely prohibited and incapable of occurring and no user, process or device can perform that action on this file.
whether said first control allows transfer of said copied file to said second device	1. Basing the determination at least in part upon all actual, current features of the device (as opposed to previously determined, reported, or measured features) which might affect the device's ability to prevent unauthorized access to and/or use of the digital file. This determination is done without trusting either the device or any user of the device. A device identifier such as a serial number is not a "feature present at the device."
said determination based at least in part on the features present at the device	1. This "if" condition creates two branches for the recited process, each of which must be performed. Each time the "if" condition is met, all four of the later-recited actions (copying, transferring, storing, rendering) must occur. Each time it is not met, each of these four actions must be disabled and prohibited and incapable of occurring.
if said first control allows at least a portion of said digital file to be copied and stored on a second device	2. This "if" condition is met if and only if the first control allows any portion of the digital file to be copied and also allows that same portion of the file (as opposed to the copy) to be on any second device. This "if" condition is based entirely on the first control and thus is met, as above, even if other VDE controls prohibit those actions.
copying at least a portion of said digital file	3. This claim limitation's recitation of "said first control allows at least a portion" is inconsistent with the claim limitation "whether said digital file may be copied ... based on said first control."
transferring at least a portion of said digital file to a second device	1. Copying at least some portion of the digital file (as opposed to a copy thereof), by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). The copied portion may or may not be (or even include) the portion referred to in the claim limitation "if said first control allows at least a portion."
storing said digital file	1. Transferring to some second device (which may or may not be the "second device" referred to in the claim limitation "if said first control allows at least a portion of said digital file to be copied and stored on a second device") at least some portion of the digital file (as opposed to a copy thereof), by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). The transferred portion may or may not be (or even include) the portion referred to in the claim limitation "if said first control allows at least a portion," or the portion referred to in the claim limitation "copying at least a portion."
	1. Storing the entire digital file received in the "receiving" step (as opposed to a copy of the file or an incomplete portion of the file).

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	2. This claim limitation's recitation of "storing said digital file" is inconsistent with the claim limitation "transferring at least a portion of said digital file."
<u>'193:15</u>	Claim as a Whole: The recited method is performed within a VDE.
<u>receiving a digital file</u> an authentication step comprising:	1. See 193:11. This step must proceed in both "authentication branches" of the process (i.e., regardless of the outcome of the "authentication" step). 1. Authenticating the first device and/or user of the first device without relying on trusting either, by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s).
accessing at least one identifier associated with a first device or with a user of said first device	1. Securely accessing at least one identifier associated with a single ("first") device or (as opposed to "and") with a single, current user of that device, by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). One of the "at least one identifier" may be associated with a first device while another of the "at least one identifier" may be associated with a user of said first device.
determining whether said identifier is associated with a device and/or user authorized to store said digital file	1. For each accessed "at least one identifier," determining whether the device with which it is associated is one on which the file may be stored (by any user) and/or whether the user with which it is associated is one who may store the file (on any device), by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). Each identifier may be associated with a device "and" a user, or with a device only, or with a user only. 2. This claim limitation's recitation of "said identifier" is inconsistent with the claim limitation "at least one identifier."
storing said digital file in a first secure memory of said first device, but only if said device and/or user is so authorized, but not proceeding with said storing if said device and/or user is not authorized	1. This conditional step creates at least two "authentication" branches for the recited process, each of which must be performed. Each time the condition is met, the recited "storing" must occur. Each time it is not met, the recited "storing" must not occur. 2. If "storing" proceeds, then: storing in a secure memory of the first device, the entire file received in the "receiving" step, as opposed to a copy of the file or an incomplete portion of the file, by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). If "storing" does not proceed: then the file is not stored in the secure memory of the first device, and is absolutely prevented from being stored anywhere on the first device. 3. This limitation is internally inconsistent on the circumstances under which the storing proceeds or does not proceed. For example, the first ("only if") phrase requires that the storing step proceeds if the device is authorized (and the user is not) while the second ("but not") phrase requires that the storing step not proceed if the device is authorized (and the user is not).
storing information associated with said digital file in a secure database stored on said first device, said information including	1. Storing information in a secure database, the entirety of information (including the "at least one control") being associated with the digital file (as opposed to the file's contents independent of the file), by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). 2. This step must proceed in both "authentication branches" of the process (i.e., regardless of the outcome of the "authentication" step).

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at least one control	
determining whether said digital file may be copied and stored on a second device based on said at least one control	<p>1. Determining whether the "at least one control," by itself or themselves, allow(s) this particular first device to perform both of the following actions on this particular digital file: (1) copy it and (2) store it (as opposed to a copy of it) on a second device, by executing "said at least one control," by executing the "at least one" VDE control within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). To the extent that either the copy or store action is not determined by this step to be permissible, that action is absolutely prohibited and incapable of occurring, and no user, process or device can perform it on this digital file.</p> <p>2. This step must proceed in both "authentication branches" of the process (i.e., regardless of the outcome of the "authentication" step).</p>
if said at least one control allows at least a portion of said digital file to be copied and stored on a second device,	<p>1. This "if" condition creates two branches for each of the two "authentication branches" of the recited process (and thus four branches in all), each of which must be performed. Each time it is met, all four of the later-recited actions (copying, transferring, storing, rendering) must occur. Each time it is not met, each of these four actions must be prohibited and incapable of occurring.</p> <p>2. This "if" condition is met if and only if the at least one control allows any portion of the digital file to be copied and also allows that same portion of the file (as opposed to the copy) to be stored on any second device. This "if" condition is based entirely on the at least one control and thus is met, as above, even if other VDE controls prohibit those actions.</p> <p>3. This step must proceed in both "authentication branches" of the process (i.e., regardless of the outcome of the "authentication" step).</p> <p>4. This claim limitation's recitation of "at least one control allows at least a portion of said digital file" is inconsistent with the claim limitation "whether said digital file may be copied ... based on said at least one control."</p>
copying at least a portion of said digital file	<p>1. Copying at least some portion of the digital file (as opposed to a copy thereof), which portion may or may not be (or even include) the portion referred to in the claim limitation "if said at least one control allows at least a portion," by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s).</p> <p>2. This step must proceed in both "authentication branches" of the process (i.e., regardless of the outcome of the "authentication" step).</p>
transferring at least a portion of said digital file to a second device	<p>1. Transferring to some second device (which may or may not be the "second device" referred to in the claim limitation "if said at least one control allows at least a portion of said digital file to be copied and stored on a second device") at least some portion of the digital file (not a copy thereof), by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). The transferred portion may or may not be (or even include) the portion referred to in the claim limitation "if said at least one control allows at least a portion," or the portion referred to the claim limitation "copying at least a portion."</p> <p>2. This step must proceed in both "authentication branches" of the process (i.e., regardless of the outcome of the "authentication" step).</p>
storing said digital file	<p>1. Storing the entire digital file received in the "receiving" step (as opposed to a copy of the file or an incomplete portion of the file).</p>

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	<p>2. This step must proceed in both "authentication branches" of the process (i.e., regardless of the outcome of the "authentication" step).</p> <p>3. This claim limitation's recitation of "storing said digital file" is inconsistent with the claim limitation "transferring at least a portion of said digital file."</p>
*193:19	<p><u>Claim as a Whole:</u> The recited method is performed within a VDE.</p>
<p><u>receiving a digital file at a first device</u></p>	<p>1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites a step or result ("receiving") without reciting an action that achieves that result. The specification does not clearly link any particular action to this recited step. Part of the recited function is performed by Communications Controller 666, I/O Controller 600, SPE 503/SPU 500 (particularly "SPU Encryption/Decryption Engine 522" and NVRAM 534b).</p> <p>2. The recited function requires: obtaining a VDE secure container encapsulating a digital file, authenticating the first device in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container, and accepting the secure container.</p>
<p><u>establishing communication between said first device and a clearinghouse located at a location remote from said first device</u></p>	<p>1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites a step or result ("establishing communication") without reciting an action that achieves that result. The specification does not clearly link any particular action to this recited step. Part of the recited function is performed by the Remote Procedure Call Manager 732 software of Rights Operating System 602 that controls I/O controller 660 and Communications Controller 666.</p> <p>2. The recited function is: creating and using a previously non-existent communications channel which is necessary and sufficient for exchanging information between the first device and a clearinghouse.</p>
<p><u>using said authorization information to gain access to or make at least one use of said first digital file</u></p>	<p>1. A user, process or device uses all of said authorization information in connection with executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s) to gain access to or (as opposed to "and") make at least one use of the file received in the "receiving" step. Without using such authorization information, no access to or use of the file is allowed.</p>
<p><u>including using said key to decrypt at least a portion of said first digital file</u></p>	<p>1. The "at least one use of said digital file" must encompass decrypting at least a portion of the digital file using the key.</p>
<p><u>receiving a first control from said clearinghouse at said first device</u></p>	<p>1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites a step or result ("receiving") without reciting an action that achieves that result. The specification does not clearly link any particular action to this recited step. Part of the recited function is performed by Communications Controller 666, I/O Controller 600, SPE 503/SPU 500 (particularly "SPU Encryption/Decryption Engine 522" and NVRAM 534b).</p> <p>2. The recited function requires: obtaining a VDE secure container encapsulating a first control, authenticating the first device in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container, and accepting the secure container.</p>
<p><u>storing said first digital file</u></p>	<p>1. Storing in a memory of the first device, the entire digital file (as opposed to any incomplete portion thereof) received in the "receiving" step, by</p>

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in a memory of said first device	
using said first control to determine whether said first digital file may be copied and stored on a second device	1. Determining whether the first control, by itself, allows this particular first device to perform both of the following actions on this particular digital file: (1) copy it and (2) store it (as opposed to a copy of it) on a second device, by executing the first VDE control within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). To the extent that either the copy or store action is not determined by this step to be permissible, that action is absolutely prohibited and incapable of occurring, and no user, process or device can perform it on this digital file.
if said first control allows at least a portion of said first digital file to be copied and stored on a second device	1. This "if" condition creates two branches for the recited process, each of which must be performed. Each time the "if" condition is met, all four of the later-recited actions (copying, transferring, storing, rendering) must occur. Each time it is not met, each of these four actions must be prohibited and incapable of occurring. 2. This "if" condition is met if and only if the first control allows any portion of the first digital file to be copied and also allows that same portion of the file (as opposed to the copy) to be stored on any second device. This "if" condition is based entirely on the first control and thus is met, as above, even if other VDE controls prohibit those actions. 3. This claim limitation's recitation of "first control allows at least a portion of said first digital file" is inconsistent with the claim limitation "whether said first digital file may be copied ... on a second device."
copying at least a portion of said first digital file	1. Copying at least some portion of the digital file (as opposed to a copy thereof), which portion may or may not be (or even include) the portion referred to in the claim limitation "if said first control allows at least a portion," by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s).
transferring at least a portion of said first digital file to a second device including a memory and an audio and/or video output	1. Transferring to some second device (which may or may not be the "second device" referred to in the claim limitation "if said first control allows at least a portion of said digital file to be copied and stored on a second device") at least some portion of the digital file (not a copy thereof), by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s). The transferred portion may or may not be (or even include) the portion referred to in the claim limitation "if said first control allows at least a portion," or the portion referred to the above limitation "copying at least a portion."
storing said first digital file portion	1. Storing the "at least a portion" which was transferred to the second device, of the digital file received in the "receiving" step (as opposed to a copy of the file).
'683:2	Claim as a Whole: The "system" is a VDE.
user controls	1. [This shall be construed as a disputed claim term.]
the first secure container having been received from a	1. The "first secure container" must identify the single apparatus from which it was received, and that apparatus must be different from the first apparatus. Alternatively, if the Court does not construe this claim language as requiring the "first secure container" to identify the single apparatus

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second apparatus	from which it was received: This claim language has no patentable weight. It recites a step taken in the creation of the recited system, not a structural or functional characteristic of the system. One studying a particular system (as opposed to the process by which it was created) to compare it to the claimed system, could not distinguish a secure container received from another apparatus from, e.g., a secure container created on the first apparatus, and thus could not determine whether this step was satisfied.
an aspect of access to or use of	2. Receiving the secure container includes authenticating the intended recipient in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container. The first secure container may be received as bar codes in a fax transmission, or filled ovals on a form delivered through physical mail.
the first secure container rule having been received from a third apparatus different from said second apparatus	1. Any one (as opposed to more than one) aspect of any access to or (as opposed to "and") use by any and all processes, users, and devices. 1. The "first secure container rule" must have been received encapsulated within a VDE secure container, and the intended recipient must have been authenticated in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container, and the "first secure container rule" must have been accepted by the first apparatus. The "first secure container rule" must identify the single apparatus from which it was received, and that apparatus must be different from the first apparatus. 2. Alternatively, if the Court does not construe this claim language as requiring the "first secure container" to identify the single apparatus from which it was received: This claim language has no patentable weight. It recites a step taken in the creation of the recited system, not a structural or functional characteristic of the system. One studying a particular system (as opposed to the process by which it was created) to compare it to the claimed system, could not distinguish a secure container rule received from another apparatus from, e.g., a secure container rule created on the first apparatus, and thus could not determine whether this step was satisfied.
<u>hardware or software used for receiving and opening secure containers</u>	1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites an undefined mechanism ("hardware or software") for performing a function (e.g., "opening") without reciting particular structure that performs that function. The specification does not clearly link any particular structure to this recited function. Part of the recited function is performed by Communications Controller 666, I/O Controller 600, SPE 503/SPU 500 (particularly "SPU Encryption/Decryption Engine 522" and NVRAM 534b). 2. The recited function requires: the same single logical piece of either hardware or software (as opposed to both) must be capable of both receiving and opening secure containers, this "receiving" including authenticating the intended recipient in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container, and this "opening" performed by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s).
said secure containers each including the capacity to contain a governed item, a secure container rule being associated with each of said secure containers	1. Each secure container which the "hardware or software used for receiving and opening secure containers" is capable of receiving and opening must have the capacity to contain a governed item, and must have associated with it (as opposed to any particular governed item) a secure container rule.

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protected processing environment at least in part protecting information contained in said protected processing environment from tampering by a user of said first apparatus	<p>1. A single VDE Secure Processing Environment, in addition to and not within the first apparatus, actively preventing (not merely being capable of preventing, and not merely resisting) any "user" of the first apparatus from tampering with any and all information encapsulated by the Secure Processing Environment (as opposed to tampering with the Secure Processing Environment itself). Other components may or may not provide part of this protecting function.</p> <p>2. The protecting function is provided by use of the disclosed "component assembly" (VDE controls), "secure container," "protected processing environment," "object registration," and other mechanisms of the purported "VDE" "invention" for allegedly individually ensuring the "access control" "handoffs" between specific "controls," specific "objects" (and their content at an arbitrary granular level), and specific "users."</p>
hardware or software used for applying said first secure container rule and a second secure container rule in combination to at least in part govern at least one aspect of access to or use of a governed item contained in a secure container	<p>1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites an undefined mechanism ("hardware or software") for performing a function ("applying ... in combination") without reciting particular structure that performs that function. The specification does not clearly link any particular structure to this recited function. Part of the recited function is performed by Communications Controller 666, I/O Controller 600, SPE 503/SPU 500 (particularly "SPU Encryption/Decryption Engine 522" and NVRAM 534b).</p> <p>2. The recited function requires: a single logical piece of either hardware or software (as opposed to both) to apply the two separate rules in combination by assembling and executing a single control, and to govern any one or more aspects of any access or use by any process or user or device, of a governed item contained in a secure container (which may or may not be any "secure container" recited earlier). Other components may or may not provide part of the governing function. This "hardware or software" performs its functions by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s).</p>
hardware or software used for transmission of secure containers to other apparatuses or for the receipt of secure containers from other apparatuses	<p>1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites an undefined mechanism ("hardware or software") for performing a function (e.g., "transmission") without reciting particular structure that performs that function. The specification does not clearly link any particular structure to this recited function. Part of the recited function is performed by Communications Controller 666, I/O Controller 600, SPE 503/SPU 500 (particularly "SPU Encryption/Decryption Engine 522" and NVRAM 534b).</p> <p>2. The recited function requires: a single logical piece of either hardware or software (as opposed to both) is capable of both transmission and receipt of secure containers, this receipt including authenticating the intended recipient in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container. This "hardware or software" is separate from and in addition to the first apparatus, the recited protected processing environment, and the recited "hardware or software used for receiving and opening secure containers." The transmission and receipt of the secure containers may be via bar codes in a fax transmission, or filled ovals on a form delivered through physical mail. This "hardware or software" performs its functions by executing VDE control(s) within VDE Secure Processing Environment(s).</p>
*721:1	Claim as a Whole: The recited method is performed within a VDE.
digitally signing a first load module with a first digital signature designating the	<p>1. Digitally signing a particular ("first") load module by using a first digital signature as the signature key, which signing indicates to any and all devices in the first device class that the signor authorized this load module for use by that device. No VDE device can perform any execution of any load module without such authorization. The method ensures that the load module cannot execute in a particular device class and ensures that no</p>

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first load module for use by a first device class	device in that device class has the key(s) necessary to verify the digital signature.
digitally signing a second load module with a second digital signature different from the first digital signature, the second digital signature designating the second load module for use by a second device class having at least one of tamper resistance and security level of the first device class	<p>1. Digitally signing a different ("second") load module by using a different ("second") digital signature as the signature key, which signing indicates to any and all devices in the second device class that the signor authorized this load module for use by that device. No VDE device can perform any execution of any load module without such authorization. The method ensures that the load module cannot execute in a particular device class and ensures that no device in that device class has the key(s) necessary to verify the digital signature.</p> <p>2. All devices in the first device class have the same persistent (not just occasional) and identified level of tamper resistance and/or same persistent and identified level of security. All devices in the second device class have the same persistent and identified level of tamper resistance and/or same persistent and identified level of security. The identified level of tamper resistance and/or identified level of security for the first device class, is greater or less than the identified level of tamper resistance and/or identified level of security for the second device class.</p>
distributing the first load module for use by at least one device in the first device class	1. The first load module, digitally signed as indicated above, is transmitted to at least one device in the first device class.
distributing the second load module for use by at least one device in the second device class	1. The second load module, digitally signed as indicated above, is transmitted to at least one device in the second device class.
'721:34	Claim as a Whole: The "protected processing environment" is part of and within VDE.
arrangement within the first tamper resistant barrier	1. The arrangement is located and executed wholly within the first tamper resistant barrier.
prevents the first secure execution space from executing the same executable accessed by a second secure execution	1. "A second secure execution space having a second tamper resistant barrier with a second security level different from the first security level"; a second secure execution space (different from the first secure execution space) is part of the protected processing environment, and has a tamper resistant barrier (different from the first tamper resistant barrier) which has a persistent (not just occasional) security level greater or less than the first persistent security level.

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space having a second tamper resistant barrier with a second security level different from the first security level	<p>2. "The same executable accessed by": the same executable (as opposed to, e.g., two copies of the same executable) is simultaneously accessed by both the first secure execution space and the second secure execution space.</p> <p>3. "Prevents the first secure execution space from executing": the arrangement prevents the first secure execution space, otherwise capable of executing the executable, from executing any part of the executable (e.g., on behalf of any user, process, or device).</p>
'861:58	Claim as a Whole: The recited method is performed within a VDE.
creating a first secure container	<p>1. This preamble language is a claim limitation.</p> <p>2. Completely forming (as opposed to defining) a secure container within a VDE Secure Processing Environment(s).</p>
including or addressing . . . organization information . . . desired organization of a content section . . . and metadata information at least in part specifying at least one step required or desired in creation of said first secure container	<p>1. The same single descriptive data structure must either contain within its confines or address both organization information and metadata information.</p> <p>2. Both the "desired" organization of the content section and also the "desired" step, occur after the descriptive data structure is accessed, not before.</p> <p>3. The metadata information specifies a procedure, as opposed to a result or a data item.</p>
at least in part determine specific information required to be included in said first secure container contents	<p>1. The metadata information is used to determine the specific value, not merely the kind, of at least some of the information that must be placed inside the secure container.</p> <p>2. The use of the metadata information actively requires the secure container creation steps to add this specific information to the first secure container, as opposed to the specific information being within the secure container for some other reason.</p>
rule designed to control at least one aspect of access to or use of at least a portion of said first secure container contents	<p>1. A rule designed for these particular secure container contents, which is used (by VDE control(s) executing in VDE Secure Processing Environment(s)) to limit access to or use of at least a portion of the contents of the first secure container (by all users, processes, and devices). Without compliance with this rule, no process, user, or device is able to take the controlled aspect of the controlled access or use action.</p>
'891:1	Claim as a Whole: The recited method is performed within a VDE.
resource processed in a secure operating	<p>1. This preamble language is a claim limitation.</p> <p>2. A component part of a first appliance's secure operating environment which is processed within that secure operating environment's special-</p>

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environment at a first appliance	purpose Secure Processing Unit. A Secure Processing Unit is a special-purpose unit isolated from the rest of the world in which a hardware tamper-resistant barrier encapsulates a processor and internal secure memory. The barrier prevents all unauthorized interference, removal, observation, and use of the information and processes within it. The processor cryptographically verifies the integrity of all code loaded from the secure memory prior to execution, executes only the code that the processor has authenticated for its use, and is otherwise secure.
securely receiving a first entity's control at said first appliance	<p>1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites a step or result ("securely receiving") without reciting an action that achieves that result. The specification does not clearly link any particular action to this recited step. Part of the recited function is performed by Communications Controller 666, I/O Controller 600, SPE 503/SPU 500 (particularly "SPU Encryption/Decryption Engine 522" and NVRAM 534b).</p> <p>2. The recited function requires: A first appliance obtaining a VDE secure container encapsulating a control created, selected, or modified by a first entity, as part of a communication encrypted on the communications level, authenticating the first appliance in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container, and accepting the secure container.</p>
securely receiving a second entity's control at said first appliance	<p>1. This claim language falls within 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 6. It recites a step or result ("securely receiving") without reciting an action that achieves that result. The specification does not clearly link any particular action to this recited step. Part of the recited function is performed by Communications Controller 666, I/O Controller 600, SPE 503/SPU 500 (particularly "SPU Encryption/Decryption Engine 522" and NVRAM 534b).</p> <p>2. The recited function requires: A first appliance obtaining a VDE secure container encapsulating a control created, selected, or modified by a second entity, as part of a communication encrypted on the communications level, authenticating the first appliance in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container, and accepting the secure container.</p>
securely processing a data item at said first appliance, using at least one resource	<p>1. Performing an operation, inside the special-purpose Secure Processing Unit of the first appliance, on a data item inside the Secure Processing Unit. The operation cannot be observed from outside the SPU and is performed only after the integrity of the program code for performing such operation is cryptographically verified. A Secure Processing Unit is a special-purpose unit isolated from the rest of the world in which a hardware tamper-resistant barrier encapsulates a processor and internal secure memory. The barrier prevents all unauthorized interference, removal, observation, and use of the information and processes within it. The processor cryptographically verifies the integrity of all code loaded from the secure memory prior to execution, executes only the code that the processor has authenticated for its use, and is otherwise secure.</p>
securely applying, at said first appliance through use of said at least one resource said first entity's control and said second entity's control to govern use of said data item	<p>1. Processing the resource (component part of a first appliance's secure operating environment) within the secure operating environment's special-purpose Secure Processing Unit to execute the first control and second control in combination within the SPU. This execution of these controls governs all use of the data item by all users, processes, and devices. The processing of the resource and execution of the controls cannot be observed from outside the SPU and is performed only after the integrity of the resource and controls is cryptographically verified. A Secure Processing Unit is a special-purpose unit isolated from the rest of the world in which a hardware tamper-resistant barrier encapsulates a processor and internal secure memory. The barrier prevents all unauthorized interference, removal, observation, and use of the information and processes within it. The processor cryptographically verifies the integrity of all code loaded from the secure memory prior to execution, executes only the code that the processor has authenticated for its use, and is otherwise secure.</p>

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'900:155	Claim as a Whole: The "virtual distribution environment" is VDE.
first host processing environment comprising	1. A host processing environment that encompasses the recited computer hardware (central processing unit, main memory, and mass storage) and certain VDE Protected Processing Environment software loaded in that main memory and executing in that central processing unit, but does not encompass software, such as the recited tamper resistant software, which is stored in mass storage and not executing.
said mass storage storing tamper resistant software	1. The tamper resistant software is physically stored within, as opposed to being merely addressed by, the mass storage.
designed to be loaded into said main memory and executed by said central processing unit	1. The tamper resistant software is capable of being loaded into only said main memory and is capable of being executed only by said central processing unit.
said tamper resistant software comprising: . . . one or more storage locations storing said information	1. The tamper resistant software within said mass storage includes one or more storage locations within it. These storage locations are designated to store, and must store, information derived by the machine check programming, and must not store any other information.
derives information from one or more aspects of said host processing environment,	1. Deriving from the host processing environment hardware one or more values that uniquely and persistently identify the host processing environment and distinguish it from other host processing environments. 2. The "one or more aspects of said host processing environment" are distinguishing components or parts of the host processing environment itself, as opposed to, e.g., data or programs stored within the mass storage or main memory, or processes executing within the host processing environment.
one or more storage locations storing said information	1. One or more logical storage locations within the tamper resistant software storing only information derived by the machine check programming.
information previously stored in said one or more storage locations	1. Any information once stored in said "one of more storage locations storing said information," but not stored therein when the recited comparison occurs.
generates an indication based on the result of said comparison	1. Producing an indication based solely on the result of the "compares" step. There are only two possible indications: the comparison found an exact match, or it did not. The "indication" need not be displayed to a user.
programming which takes one or more actions based	1. Executable programming code that is a part of the tamper resistant software, when executed, and not a part of the host processing environment. Whenever the recited indication is generated, no matter what it indicates, this code (executing on the CPU for which it was designed

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on the state of said indication	and loaded in the memory for which it was designed) must take an action, or more than one action. The particular action(s) taken must be based solely on the state of that indication.
at least temporarily halting further processing	1. The action(s) taken by this programming must encompass halting or temporarily halting all further processing of the host processing environment and any processes running within it.
'912:8	Claim as a Whole: The recited method is performed within a VDE.
identifying at least one aspect of an execution space required for use and/or execution of the load module	1. Defining fully, without reference to any other information, at least one of the persistent features (aspects) of an execution space that are required for any use, and/or for any execution, of the load module. An execution space without all of those required aspects is incapable of making any such use (e.g., copying, displaying, printing) and/or execution of the load module.
said execution space identifier provides the capability for distinguishing between execution spaces providing a higher level of security and execution spaces providing a lower level of security	1. The execution space identifier, by itself, provides the load module with the capability of determining the persistent level of security of any execution space in which it is loaded, and of distinguishing between any two execution spaces based on their respective, determined persistent (not just occasional) "levels of security." This capability extends to at least two execution spaces providing a higher level of security and at least two execution spaces providing a lower level of security.
checking said record for validity prior to performing said executing step	Before executing any executable programming encompassed within any element which is directly or indirectly identified by any information contained within the first record, evaluating, within a VDE Secure Processing Environment, the values and formats of all data fields within the first record and confirming that they have legitimate values and formats.
'912:35	Claim as a Whole: The recited method is performed within a VDE.
received in a secure container	1. The first processing environment obtained a VDE secure container encapsulating the record inside, and authenticated the intended recipient in accordance with VDE controls associated with the secure container, and accepted the secure container.
said component assembly allowing access to or use of specified information	1. The component assembly identifies specific information over which it (by itself and with no other information), executing in a VDE Secure Processing Environment, allows access or use (as opposed to access "and" use). Unless allowed by the component assembly, no user, process, or device is able to access or use the specified information. The component assembly is associated with and dedicated to this particular specified information.
said first component	1. The first record by itself contains sufficient information to unambiguously identify the assembled component assembly, including all of its

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assembly specified by said first record	<p>elements.</p> <p>2. This limitation is inconsistent with the recitation "first record containing identification information directly or indirectly identifying one or more elements of first component assembly."</p>

EXHIBIT D

Appended hereto, in accordance with Patent Local Rule 4-2(b), are copies of excerpts of dictionary definitions and other publications.

Exhibit D List of Dictionaries

No.	Dictionary
1	The New IEEE Standard Dictionary of Electrical and Electronic Terms (IEEE 100-1992), 1993, ISBN 1-55937-240-0
2	The Whole Internet: User's Guide and Catalog (O'Reilly & Associates, Inc) ISBN 1-56592-0252
3	Practical Unix Security (O'Reilly & Associates, Inc) ISBN 0-93717-5722
4	Computer Security Basics, Deborah Russell and G.T. Gangemi Sr. (O'Reilly & Associates, 1991) ISBN 0-93717-5714
5	Modern Methods for Computer Security and Privacy, Lance J. Hoffman (Prentice Hall, 1977) ISBN 0-13-595207-7
6	Distributed Systems, Second Edition, Sape Mullender (Addison Wesley, 1993) ISBN 0-20162-4273
7	Formal Models for Computer Security, Carl E Landwehr, ACM Computer Surveys, September 3, 1981 pg 247-275
8	Computer & Communications Security: Strategies for the 1990's, James Arlin Cooper
9	The Computer Security Handbook, Richard Baker (TAB Professional and Reference Books, 1985) ISBN 0-83060-3085
10	Computer Security Handbook 2 nd Edition, Hutt, Bosworth, Hoyt (1987) ISBN 002915300X
11	National Information System Security (INFOSEC) Glossary, NSTISSI No. 4009, September 2000
12	Telecommunications: Glossary of Telecommunications Terms by Nation Communications Systems, 1996.
13	Internet Security Glossary, Network Working Group, RFC 2828, May 2000
14	Que's Computer User's Dictionary (1994) ISBN 1-56529-1255
15	The Dictionary of Computing and Digital Media: Terms and Acronyms, Brad Hansen (1999) ISBN 1-887902-38-4
16	Dictionary of Scientific and Technical Terms, 5 th ed. (McGraw-Hill, 1994) ISBN 0-07-042333-4
17	The Computer Glossary: The Complete Illustrated Desk Reference, Alan Freedman (Computer Language Co., 1993) ISBN 0-8144-7801-8 (paperback) 0-8144-5104-7 (hardcover)
18	Prentice Hall's Illustrated Dictionary of Computing, 2 nd Ed, Jonar C. Nader (Prentice Hall, 1992) ISBN 0-13205-7255
19	Computer Related Risks, Peter G. Neumann (1995) ISBN 0-201-55805-X

20	Dictionary of Computer Science, Engineering and Technology, Phillip A. Laplante (2001) ISBN 0-84932-6915
21	The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language (1969) Standard Book Reference 0-395-09064-4 or 0-395-09065-2 or 0-395-09066-0
22	Webster's New World Dictionary of Computer Terms (1992) ISBN 0-671-84651-5
23	Webster's College Dictionary of Random House (1991) ISBN 0-679-40110-5 or 0-679-40100-8
24	Dictionary of Computing, Third Edition (Oxford, 1990) ISBN 0-19-853825-1
25	Funk & Wagnalls Standard College Dictionary, 1973
26	Newton's Telecom Dictionary, Harry Newton (1993) ISBN 0-93644-8422; (1996) ISBN 0-93644-8872
27	Tony Gunton, A Dictionary of Information Technology and Computer Science, Second Edition (NCC Blackwell Ltd 1993). ISBN 1-85554-327-3
28	Dictionary of Computer Science, Engineering and Technology, Phillip A. Laplante (2001) ISBN 0-84932-6915
29	Modern Operating Systems, Andrew S. Tanenbaum (Prentice Hall, 1992) ISBN 0-13588-1870
30	Unix System Security, Wood, Kochan (Hayden Books Unix System Library, 1985) ISBN 0-81046-2672
31	Microsoft Computer Dictionary (Microsoft Press, 1994) ISBN 1-55615-597-2
32	Microsoft Computer Dictionary, Third Edition (1997) ISBN 1-57231-446-X Paperback
33	Security in Computing, Charles P. Pfleeger (Prentice Hall, 1989) 0-13798-9431
34	Information Security: Dictionary of Concepts, Standards and Terms, Dennis Longley, Michael Shain and William Caelli (Stockton Press, 1992) ISBN 1-56159-069-X or 0-333-54698-9
35	The Random House Dictionary of the English Language: College Edition, 1968
36	Dictionary of Object Technology: The Definitive Desk Reference, Donald G Firesmith and Edward M Eykholt (SIGS Book, 1995) ISBN 1-88484-2097
37	Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary, Merriam-Webster, 1987, ISBN 0-87779-508-8
38	Fundamentals of Database Systems, Ramez Elmasri and Shamkant B. Navathe (Benjamin/Dumplings Publishing Company, 1989) ISBN 0-80530-1453
39	IBM Dictionary of Computing, George

	McDaniel (McGraw Hill, 1994) ISBN 0-07-031488-8 (hardcover) 0-07031-4896 (paperback)
40	Encyclopedia of Computer Science and Engineering, 2 nd Edition (Van Nostrand Reinhold Company, 1983) ISBN 0-4423-24496-7

EXHIBIT E - Production Documents

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